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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: CHINA DIPLOMACY, MADE IN CHINA

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Editorial Quotes  
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11. CHINA DIPLOMACY

a. "Don't always compare China's strengths with the shortcomings of others"

The official Communist Party international news publication Global Times (Huanqiu Shibao)(01/15): "Recently, people have been comparing the 30 years since the 'opening up' with the 30 years before it. This process will lead to self satisfaction and arrogance. China needs to realize that while it is progressing, other countries are also moving forward. Although Europe, the U.S. and Japan have not grown as quickly as China, their growth is more balanced and comprehensive. China ranks very low in the human development index, HDI. China should compare its own shortcomings with the strengths of others. Once China begins to speak about averages, China will find itself in the company of developing countries below the fifty percent line. China should focus on soft fields of a society, like citizenry, moral standards and courtesy, etc. In these fields, China still has a great distance to come in order to match the developed countries."

b. "China can divide and conquer Europe"

The official Xinhua News Agency international news publication International Herald Leader (Guoji Xianqu Daobao)(01/15): "The annual meeting of the World Economic Forum will take place in Davos Switzerland in January. China needs a new mentality when dealing with Europe. First, Europe is not monolithic. It has its own structural conflicts and interests which China may use to its advantage. Second, the U.S. - China relationship is mature and stable which bodes well for China. Third, England is friendly towards China. Thus, Europe needs China more than China needs Europe and China has the ability to balance against the Eastern Europeans radical values by adopting a similar attitude to the Western Europeans; realism. This strategy, to divide and conquer, is not a temporary approach. It should be the established model, a win-win for both China and Europe."

12. MADE IN CHINA

"'Made in China' shouldn't be something to be proud of"

The official Communist Party international news publication Global Times (Huanqiu Shibao)(01/15): "People would like to believe that the more products are made in China, the more China will be able to participate in the global market. However, the term 'made in China' shows that China's manufacturing depends heavily on the orders and designs by American companies. 'Made in China' shows several facts: first, China provides cheap labor. Second, the U.S. economy has great control over the Chinese economy in some fields. Third, the true nature of 'made in China' is the processing of raw materials in China which does great harm to the environment and to people's health. Fourth, it shows that the U.S. has control over new science

and technologies, new designs and new arts and crafts. However, China has made its own space technology and this is the kind of 'made in China' that the country really needs."

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